



U.S. Customs and Border Protection

[1651-0117]

Free Trade Agreements

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments; extension of an existing collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). The information collection is published in the *Federal Register* to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and must be submitted (no later than [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]) to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice must include the OMB Control Number 1651-0117 in the subject line and the agency name. Please use the following method to submit comments:

Email. Submit comments to: CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov.

Due to COVID-19-related restrictions, CBP has temporarily suspended its ability to receive public comments by mail.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional PRA information should be directed to Seth Renkema, Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of Trade, Regulations and Rulings, 90 K Street NE, 10th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20229-1177, Telephone number 202-325-0056 or via email CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov. Please note that the contact information provided here is solely

for questions regarding this notice. Individuals seeking information about other CBP programs should contact the CBP National Customer Service Center at 877-227-5511, (TTY) 1-800-877-8339, or CBP website at <https://www.cbp.gov/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) suggestions to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) suggestions to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the request for approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Overview of This Information Collection

Title: Free Trade Agreements

OMB Number: 1651-0117

Form Number: N/A

Current Actions: CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the burden hours, method of collection or to the information collected.

Type of Review: Extension (without change)

Affected Public: Businesses

Abstract: Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) are established to reduce and eliminate trade barriers, strengthen, and develop economic relations, and to lay the foundation for further cooperation to expand and enhance benefits of the agreement. These agreements establish free trade by reduced-duty treatment on imported goods.

The U.S. has entered into FTAs with the following countries: Chile (Public Law 108-77); the Republic of Singapore (Public Law 108-78, 117 Stat. 948, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note); Australia (Public Law 108-286); Morocco (Public Law 108-302); Jordan (Public Law 107-43); Bahrain (Public Law 109-169); Oman (Public Law 109-283); Peru (Public Law 110-138, 121 Stat. 1455); Korea (Public Law 112-41); Colombia (Public Law 112-42, 125 Stat. 462); Panama (Public Law 112-43); and Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua (Public Law 109-53, 119 Stat. 462); Japan (Presidential Proclamation 9974, (Federal Register Notice (84 FR 72187))); Mexico and Canada (USMCA) (Public Law 116-113 section 101 – 195) and Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 (Public Law No: 116-260) (December 27, 2020).

These FTAs involve collection of data elements such as information about the importer and exporter of the goods, a description of the goods, tariff classification number, and the preference criterion in the Rules of Origin.

Respondents can obtain information on how to make claims under these FTAs

at <http://www.cbp.gov/trade/free-trade-agreements>, and use a standard fillable format for the FTA submission by going to <http://www.cbp.gov/document/guides/certification-origin-template>

Type of Information Collection: Free Trade Agreements

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,699,460

Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses: 4,701,060

Estimated Time per Response: 2 hours

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,402,120

Dated: December 13, 2022.

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